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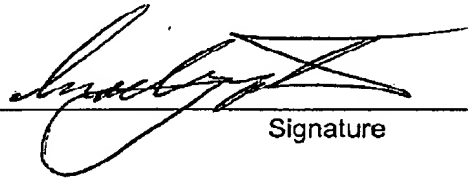
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- 1) Terminal Disclaimer
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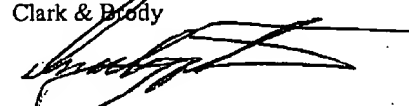
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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed July 8, 2004, please amend the  
above identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.